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SUBJ: NOVEMBER 7 UNICEF SPECIAL PLEDGING CONFERENCE

LABOUISSSE IN STATEMENT BEFORE THE SECOND COMMITTEE OCT 7  
INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING REMARKS REGARDING THE NOVEMBER 7  
PLEDGING CONFERENCE:

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TO BE MORE SPECIFIC, UNICEF IS CURRENTLY SEEKING TO REACH  
ITS INCOME TARGET FOR 1975 OF \$100 MILLION FOR BASIC LONG-  
TERM PROGRAMMES. THIS WILL REQUIRE AN INCREASE OF \$16  
MILLION IN THE ANNUAL LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTIONS OVER AND ABOVE  
THOSE ESTIMATED FOR 1974. UNICEF ALSO SEEKS SOME \$40  
MILLION IN ORDER TO CARRY FORWARD RELIEF AND REHABILITATION  
OPERATIONS IN THE INDOCHINA PENINSULA, THE SUDANO-SAHELIAN  
REGION OF AFRICA, IN ETHIOPIA AND PAKISTAN, AND, FOLLOWING  
THE RECENT FLOODS, A STEPPED UP PROGRAMME IN BANGLADESH.  
THESE ARE ONGOING ACTIVITIES THAT HAVE BEEN WELL STARTED,  
LARGELY FROM SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS, BUT WHICH NEED THIS  
ADDITIONAL SUPPORT TO BE CONTINUED AND EXPANDED. IN ADDITION,  
A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT, WHICH CANNOT YET BE DETERMINED  
WITH ANY DEGREE OF PRECISION BUT WHICH CERTAINLY TOTALS SEVERAL  
TENS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, WILL BE NEEDED IN ORDER TO  
HELP RESPOND TO THE NEW NEEDS OF ASSISTANCE FOR CHILDREN

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IN COUNTRIES ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THE CURRENT CRISIS.

NEXT MONTH, ON 7 NOVEMBER, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DECISION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY LAST YEAR, A SPECIAL PLEDGING CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD FOR UNICEF. THIS CONFERENCE WAS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED AS A MEANS TO STIMULATE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE BASIC INCOME TARGET FOR LONG-TERM PROGRAMMES OF \$100 MILLION.

I WISH TO STRESS THAT THE CONFERENCE SHOULD ALSO BE SEEN AS AN OCCASION FOR ANNOUNCING SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR RELIEF AND REHABILITATION, AS WELL AS TO HELP US RESPOND TO NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES STEMMING FROM THE CURRENT ECONOMIC CRISIS.

I THEREFORE APPEAL TO ALL GOVERNMENTS IN A POSITION TO DO SO TO CONSIDER, AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, THE GRAVE PROBLEMS AFFECTING THE WORLD'S CHILDREN WHICH I HAVE DISCUSSED TODAY AND WHICH ARE MORE EXTENSIVELY DESCRIBED IN THE BOARD REPORT. I URGE THEM TO RESPOND AS GENEROUSLY AS THEY CAN TO OUR APPEAL FOR FUNDS. UNQTE  
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